

PATENT Attorney Docket No. CNA-400

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Prasad Dasika, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/770,366) Group Art Unit: 2152
Filed: January 26, 2001) Examiner: Unassigned
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM OR AUTOMATICALLY PROVISIONING AN OVERHEAD BYTE)))

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir/Madam:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action of October 26, 2001. Please charge the extension fee of \$920.00 to our Deposit Account No. 50-0308.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0308. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37

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C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

By:

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 15, 2001

Michael R. Cammarata

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